

May 25, 2011

Arizona State Senate

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street SW Washington, DC 20554

Subject: In the Matter of LightSquared Subsidiary LLC Request for Modification of its Authority for an Ancillary Terrestrial Component; SAT-MOD-20101118-00239

Dear Ms. Dortch:

The "digital divide." is a divide between socio-economic levels with regard to their access to the Internet. More affluent people have greater access while lower-income individuals do not. If this divide is not addressed, lower-income communities will only face more poverty and fewer economic options. As elected officials representing many of these underserved populations, we ask that you make bridging the "digital divide" a priority by supporting a company called LightSquared,

LightSquared plans to invest \$14 billion in the next several years to build a wholesale 4G wireless network. As a wholesaler, LightSquared will make it possible for businesses without their own wireless network, such as retailers, or existing wireless carriers that have limited geographic coverage or spectrum, such as carriers that specialize in non-contract plans that appeal to lower-income families, to sell broadband wireless services without building their own network. Simply put, more competition will mean lower costs, which will make broadband wireless more accessible to lower-income households, thus, beginning to bridge the "digital divide".

Sadly, potential GPS interference issues are delaying LightSquared's plans. LightSquared acknowledges that such issues must be resolved, so LightSquared and the GPS industry have been working collaboratively in a transparent and technically accurate testing program. Knowing the potential impact on the "digital divide," we asked that you support LightSquared's efforts to resolve these interference concerns.

Sincerely,

Senator Steve Gallardo

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Senator Robert Meza

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Senator John McCain